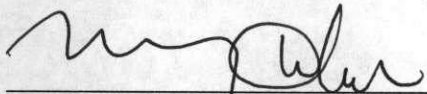



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18 To amend the Rental Housing Act of 1985 to ensure that any affected tenant has the
19 opportunity to be heard before the approval or disapproval of a voluntary
20 agreement to raise the rents in a rent-controlled accommodation; to ensure that the
21 Rent Administrator has the opportunity to present grounds for disapproval of a
22 voluntary agreement at a proceeding before the Office of Administrative
23 Hearings; to eliminate automatic approval in the event that the voluntary
24 agreement specifies rent increases for all units in the accommodation by a certain
25 percentage; and to prohibit passive approval in the event that the Rent
26 Administrator fails to approve or disapprove the voluntary agreement within a
27 certain time period.
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29 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
30 that this act may be cited as the "Rent Control Voluntary Agreement Procedure
31 Amendment Act of 2013".

32 Sec. 2. Voluntary Agreement

33 (a) Section 215 of the Rental Housing Act of 1985, effective July 17, 1985 (D.C. Law
34 6-10; D.C. Official Code § 42-3502.15), is amended as follows:

35 (1) Subsection (c) is repealed.

36 (2) A new subsection (d) is added to read as follows:

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A Bill

THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

to amend the several laws of the District of Columbia relating to the organization of the Council of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

That the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall have the honor to certify to the President of the United States a copy of the several laws of the District of Columbia relating to the organization of the Council of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

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1 “(d)(1) When a voluntary agreement has been approved by at least 70 percent of the
2 tenants in a housing accommodation and the housing provider, the Rent Administrator may
3 approve the voluntary agreement only after all tenants have been provided at least 21 days to
4 submit objections in writing. If the Rent Administrator determines that substantial grounds exist
5 to disapprove the Voluntary Agreement, then:

6 “(A) The Rent Administrator shall include the grounds for disapproval in
7 an order transferring the matter to the District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings;
8 and

9 “(B) The District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings shall:

10 “(i) Name the Rent Administrator as a party to the action for the
11 purpose of explaining the grounds for disapproval; and

12 “(ii) Provide any tenant of the affected accommodation an
13 opportunity to participate at the hearing.

14 “(2) No voluntary agreement shall be approved except by affirmative action of the
15 Rent Administrator, the Office of Administrative Hearings, or the Rental Housing
16 Commission.”.

17 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact.

18 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the
19 fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home
20 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
21 206.02(c)(3)).

22 Sec. 4. Effective date.

1. The first part of the document is a letter from the Secretary of the Department of the Interior to the Secretary of the Department of the Army, dated August 1, 1944. The letter discusses the proposed construction of a dam on the Colorado River and the need for a license from the Army to construct the dam.

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1 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto
2 by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of
3 Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home
4 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
5 206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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